DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO



COMMUNICABLE DISEASE SECTION

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Avoid the Flu! We've Got the Shot For You!

San Bernardino. A seasonal flu shot is recommended every year to help protect you, your family, and the community from the flu. The County of San Bernardino Department of Public Health will sponsor low cost seasonal flu clinics throughout the County beginning September 2011. The flu is an illness caused by the influenza viruses and is easily spread from one person to another. Symptoms can range from mild to severe and can lead to hospitalization and even death. Get your flu vaccine today to protect yourself, family, coworkers, and others in the community from getting sick from the flu.

An annual seasonal flu shot is now universally recommended for:

All persons aged 6 months and older

A seasonal flu shot is especially recommended for these high risk groups:

- Infants and children age 6 months up to their 19th birthday
- People 50 years of age and older
- People of any age with chronic medical conditions
- Pregnant women
- People who live in nursing homes and long-term care facilities
- Home caregivers and health care workers

Practice good hygiene to prevent the spread of illness:

- Cover your mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, and throw the tissue in the trash after use.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after a cough or sneeze. Alcoholbased hand sanitizers may be used if soap and water are not available.
- Avoid close contact with sick people.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and/or mouth since these are openings for germs to enter
- Stay home from work or school if you get sick and limit contact with others to keep them from getting sick.

For information about community clinic locations and times, please visit the County of San Bernardino Department of Public Health website at www.sbcounty.gov/dph, or call the Communicable Disease Section at 1-800-722-4794, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. to find a location near you.

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The County of San Bernardino Department of Public Health Presents

2011 Seasonal Flu Clinics



The seasonal flu shot is recommended <u>every</u> year to help protect you, your family and the community from the flu!

Seniors are encouraged to attend.

The cost of the flu shot is \$10.00.

For more information, please call the Communicable Disease Section at **1(800) 722-4794**, M-F, from 8 am-5 pm.

If you cannot go to any of the clinics listed, call 1(800) 722-4777 to make an appointment to get the flu shot at a regular Public Health clinic El Mirage Community Center 1488 Milton Street El Mirage, CA Wednesday, September 28, 2011 10 am – 12 pm

Needles Senior Center 1699 Bailey Avenue Needles, CA Wednesday, September 28, 2011 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm (CA time)

Highland Senior Center (Patton State Hospital, main gate) 3102 E. Highland Avenue Highland, CA Friday, September 30, 2011 9 am – 12 pm

Barstow Senior Center 555 Melissa Avenue Barstow, CA Monday, October 3, 2011 9 am – 11 am

McCoy Equestrian & Recreation Ctr 14280 Peyton Drive Chino Hills, CA Tuesday, October 4, 2011 9 am – 11 am

Rialto Senior Center 1411 S. Riverside Avenue Rialto, CA Wednesday, October 5, 2011 9 am – 11 am

Fire Department, Friendship Hall 148808 Havasu Lake Road Havasu Lake, CA Wednesday, October 5, 2011 10 am – 11 am (CA time)

Apple Valley Senior Center 13188 Central Road Apple Valley, CA Thursday, October 6, 2011 9 am – 11 am

Lucerne Valley Senior Center 10431 Allen Way Lucerne Valley, CA Thursday, October 6, 2011 1 pm – 3 pm

Big Bear Senior Center 42651 Big Bear Boulevard Big Bear Lake, CA Hutton Community Center 660 Colton Avenue Colton, CA Wednesday, October 12, 2011 9 am – 11 am

Fontana Senior Center 16710 Ceres Avenue Fontana, CA Thursday, October 13, 2011 9 am – 11 am

Twentynine Palms Senior Center 6539 Adobe Road Twentynine Palms, CA Friday, October 14, 2011 9 am – 11 am

Joshua Tree Community Center 6171 Sunburst Road Joshua Tree, CA Friday, October 14, 2011 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Mountain Community Center 675 Grandview Road Twin Peaks, CA Monday, October 17, 2011 10 am – 12 pm

Trona Community Senior Center 13187 Market Street Trona, CA Tuesday, October 18, 2011 10 am – 12:30 pm

Wrightwood Community Center 1275 Highway 2 Wrightwood, CA Wednesday, October 19, 2011 9 am – 11 am

Phelan Senior Center 9463 Sheepcreek Road Phelan, CA Wednesday, October 19, 2011 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Yucaipa Senior Center 12202 First Street Yucaipa, CA Thursday, October 20, 2011 9 am – 11 am

Grand Terrace Senior Center 22627 Grand Terrace Road Grand Terrace, CA Monday, October 24, 2011